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Agricultural Summary

Continued rains and saturated soil conditions kept combines out of the fields the first half of last week, but warm, dry weather helped harvest get started again by mid-week in the drier fields. Ninety-eight percent of the farmland in Illinois had topsoil moisture conditions reported as adequate or surplus on October 19. Reports of over seven inches of rain fell the weekend of the 13th. Standing water and flash flooding were a concern in low lying areas. Once the sun came out and the soil began to firm up, corn harvest started again despite ruts being cut through fields and the grain moisture increasing slightly. By October 21, 66 percent of the corn acreage had been harvested, right on average but well behind the 2000 crop. Soybean harvest fell behind the five-year average because of the wet weather, taking another day or two to dry out. Only six percent of the acreage was harvested last week to reach 71 percent by October 21, nine points less than average and about a week behind the 2000 season. As a result of late planted soybeans also being harvested late, wheat seeding has been slowed and may cause some producers to alternate their plans. As of October 21, 69 percent of the wheat was seeded compared to 65 percent last year and an average of 72 percent. With the benefit of the recent rains, 48 percent of the wheat has already emerged. Last week, down time was spent completing LDP papers at the FSA office, repairing equipment and preparing harvest machinery for the muddy soil conditions. Fall tillage was very limited, though anhydrous application did begin by the end of the week because of a drop in soil temperatures in areas.

Crop Progress Table

Crop Stage	2001	2000	5-Year Average
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October 21

CORN:

Harvested	66	84	66
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SOYBEANS:

Harvested	71	85	80
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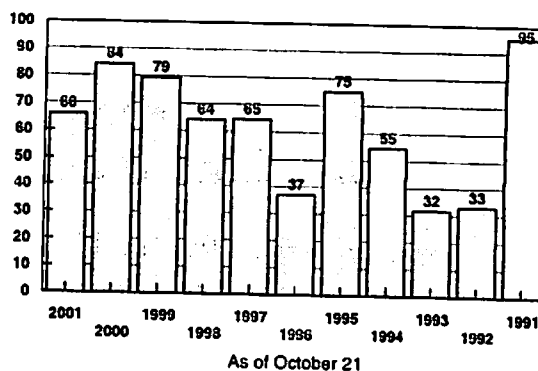
SORGHUM:

Mature	97	100	96
Harvested	76	75	54

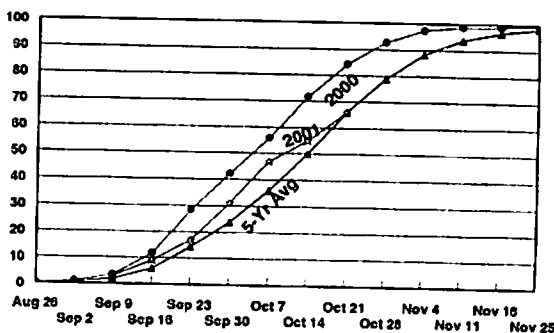
WINTER WHEAT:

Seeded	69	65	72
Emerged	48	25	35

**Corn - Percent Harvested
Illinois**



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Crop Conditions

Crop	: Very Poor	: Poor	: Fair	: Good	: Excellent
Pasture	: 1	5	37	51	6

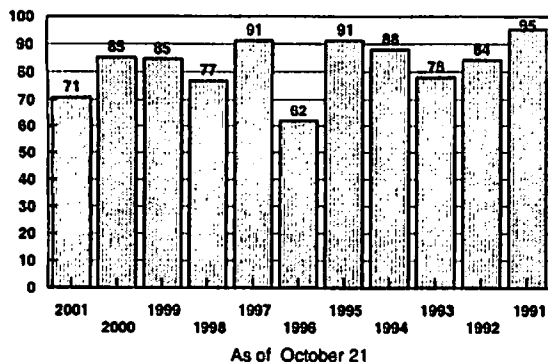
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	: Days Suitable for Fieldwork	: Very Short	: Topsoil Moisture Short	: Adequate	: Surplus
	October 13 - 19		October 19		
Northwest	5.0	-	1	94	5
Northeast	3.3	-	-	74	26
West	3.6	-	3	54	43
Central	4.2	-	6	69	25
East	2.5	-	-	44	56
W. Southwest	3.1	-	1	84	15
E. Southeast	3.0	-	-	66	34
Southwest	2.9	-	13	64	23
Southeast	2.4	-	-	48	52
State	3.6	-	2	69	29

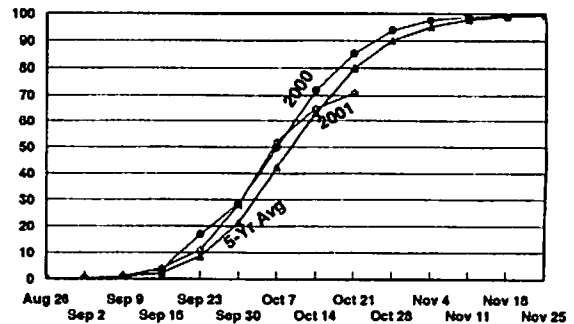
Crop Progress by Districts

District	: Corn Harvested	: Soybeans Harvested
	October 21	
Northwest	48	57
Northeast	34	60
West	63	55
Central	82	81
East	62	81
W. Southwest	92	80
E. Southeast	83	85
Southwest	96	74
Southeast	95	69

Soybeans - Percent Harvested
Illinois



Soybeans - Percent Harvested
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Weather Information Table

Location	Maximum	Temperature Minimum	Departure	Precipitation
October 15 - 21				
Northwest:				
Freeport	65	29	-4	0.03
Kewanee	71	30	-4	0.15
Moline	74	28	-4	0.06
Mount Carroll	69	26	-3	0.09
Paw Paw	69	29	-3	0.09
Rochelle	70	26	-5	0.06
Rockford	66	30	-3	0.03
Northeast:				
Aurora	68	28	-3	0.11
Chicago	68	33	-2	0.16
De Kalb	69	29	-5	0.08
Lake Villa	66	32	-2	0.23
McHenry	67	30	-3	0.13
Morris	71	30	-2	0.17
Ottawa	74	30	-4	0.14
Park Forest	69	32	-4	0.20
West:				
Bentley	72	28	-6	0.56
Galesburg	72	28	-6	0.29
Quincy	73	29	-5	0.47
Central:				
Bloomington	73	29	-7	0.84
Decatur	73	30	-5	0.81
Lincoln	73	32	-6	0.78
Peoria	71	30	-4	0.57
East:				
Champaign	72	28	-5	0.48
Pontiac	71	30	-5	0.42
West Southwest:				
Carlinville	74	30	-6	0.69
Morrisonville	72	29	-7	0.88
Springfield	73	27	-4	0.63
East Southeast:				
Brownstown	73	31	-5	0.64
Flora	77	31	-2	0.81
Hutsonville	73	32	-6	0.79
Iuka	74	29	-6	0.81
Lawrenceville	73	33	-6	0.62
Newton	72	32	-5	0.61
Paris	73	32	-5	0.74
Windsor	73	32	-3	0.08
Southwest:				
Carbondale	76	33	-2	0.31
Lebanon	75	33	-5	0.77
Olive Branch	76	33	-4	0.23
Southeast:				
Mt Vernon	73	31	-5	0.70

Data is for the weekly period that ends on Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

Departure is from the overall average for the week during the 1961-90 period.

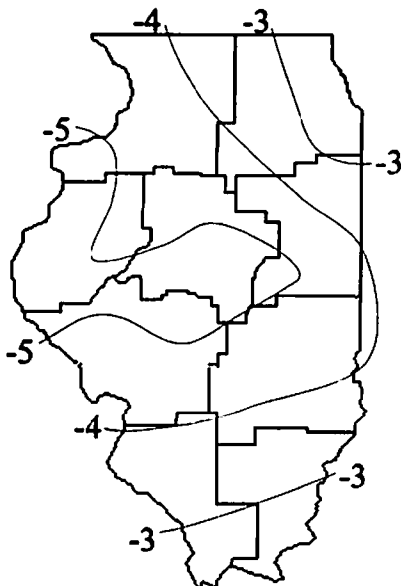
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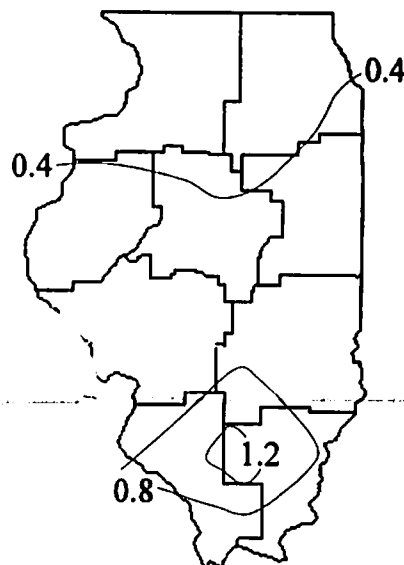
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Temperature (°F) Departure
October 15 - 21



Precipitation (in.) Total
October 15 - 21

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